

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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For: ASSAYS, METHODS AND MEANS FOR MODULATING NUCLEAR  
LOCALIZATION

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February 3, 2003

AMENDMENTHon. Commissioner of Patents  
and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated  
November 1, 2002, in the above. Kindly amend the above-  
identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please substitute the following amended claims for  
corresponding claims previously presented. A copy of the  
amended claims showing current revisions is attached.

2. (Amended) An assay method for identifying an  
agent which affects one or more Importin  $\alpha$  activities  
selected from the group consisting of (i) binding Importin